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COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES Public Policy Committee Meeting April 19, 2007 Time: 10:00am to 11:30am	
Call to Order – Opening Statements	Bob Jackson called the meeting to order.
Roll Call	Members Present: Bob Jackson (Chair), Shiloh Blackburn, Corinne Johnson, Bill Elvey Staff present: Tracy Warren, Penny Thorpe, and Christine Pisani Members Absent: Theresa Wilding and Jim Baugh.
Perfection of Agenda/ Announcements	There were no changes to the agenda.
Approval of November, December, and January Minutes	Unanimous Consent to accept minutes for November, December, and January
Legislative Wrap-up - Final legislative report - Review PowerPoint presentation for full council	The group reviewed the final legislative report dated March 30, 2007.
	Tracy explained about Medicaid Fraud control Unit bills
	Bob discussed FDS resolution – it passed
	October will be Disability History Month
	Early childhood bills all died during the session
	Disabled Persons Hunting bill passed
	Bill asked about Deaf Children Unique Needs resolution and Tracy explained.
Follow up ⇒	Talked about Medicaid and schools matching 30% and government paying schools back 100%. Tracy will follow up to clarify.
Related Issues	Tracy reported that a Deaf Education Reform transition committee is working on changes to deaf education and possible closure of Idaho State School for the Deaf and Blind (ISDB). Who will have final administrative oversight is

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Related Issues	still to be determined.
	Tracy shared about federal bills and
	recommendations to our congressmen and upcoming reauthorization of No Child Left Behind.
	Discussion about measuring the achievements of students w/ disabilities. Measure progress on individual growth.
	Bill states kids should meet goals through adequate progress reports. IEP reports don't reflect true student progress. We need a better way. Concern that the same test used for graduation is used to measure school's Annual Yearly Progress (AYP).
	Tracy will send alternate standards information to members.
Follow up ⇔	New Issues/input from members Shiloh Blackburn reported about the COAD Presentation concerning guardianship and stages of guardianship.
New Issues for Consideration	Consumer Leadership Caucus had presentation on guardianship from Co-Ad staff. The group will continue to learn about and
Monitoring federalLegislationNew Issues/input from members	work on recommendations related to this issue. The Caucus will give recommendations to the Public Policy Committee to draft a guardianship position paper for the Council.
	Christine talked about alternatives to guardianship.
Wrap Up: - Review Action Items - Future Agenda Items - Meeting Evaluation	Review Action Items
	Future Agenda Items
	No Child Left Behind DD Act on Self Advocacy
Adjourned	There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.